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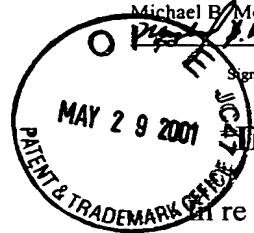
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF
APPLICATION**

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on June 28, 2000 having a period for response set to expire August 28, 2000. A copy of the notice is enclosed.

Enclosed are signed Declaration and Attorney forms for each of the inventors.

A check in the amount of \$130.00 for the Notice is enclosed. Please charge any additional fees that may be due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-2495.

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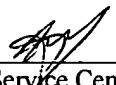
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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